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(hereinafter collectively ASSIGNEE), have made an invention known as Dkt. 01579-1047 and entitled: TELOMERE ELONGATION for which an application for Letters Patent of the United States was executed even date herewith and is about to be filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office; was filed on (Requires Completion), U.S. Application No. 10/554,295, which is a 371 of International Patent Application No. PCT/US2004/013799, filed April 30, 2004, which claims priority from U.S. Provisional Appln. No. 60/466,427, filed April 30, 2003;

AND WHEREAS DUKE UNIVERSITY, Durham, North Carolina 27710

(hereinafter ASSIGNEE), desires to acquire an interest therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the said ASSIGNEE, does hereby sell, assign and transfer unto ASSIGNEE, its entire right, title and interest to the said invention in the aforesaid application, and to the said application and to all continuations, divisions, reissues and substitutes of said application, and foreign counterparts thereof, together with the right of priority under the International Convention for the

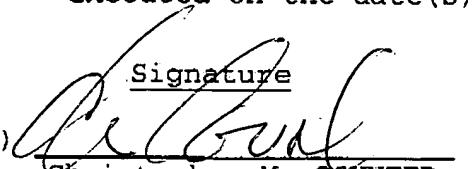
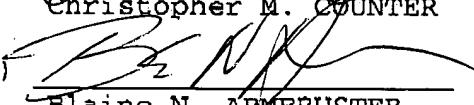
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ASSIGNOR furthermore agrees upon request of said ASSIGNEE, and without further remuneration, to execute any and all papers desired by said ASSIGNEE for the filing and granting of foreign applications and the perfecting of title thereto in said ASSIGNEE.

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